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Sir:

Applicant agrees with the reasons for allowance in the 9/29/2004 Notice of Allowability, to the extent those reasons paraphrase claim 1. However, claims 2-13 which depend from claim 1 are separately patentable for additional reasons. In addition, claims 14-37 are additional independent and dependent claims which are separately patentable for reasons other than, or in addition to, the reasons for allowance.

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